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Box Patent Application

Re: U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)
Appl. No. To be assigned; Filed: Herewith
For: **System, Method, and Computer Program Product for Responding to
Natural Language Queries**
Inventors: Galitsky *et al.*
Our Ref: 1964.0010001

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S.
Patent and Trademark Office:

1. PTO Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17) (*in duplicate*);
2. PTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/05);
3. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

**System, Method, and Computer Program Product for Responding to Natural
Language Queries**

and naming as inventors:

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the application consisting of:

- a. A specification containing:
 - i. 29 pages of description prior to the claims;
 - ii. 6 pages of claims (28 claims);
 - iii. a one (1) page abstract;
 - iv. Microfiche Appendix containing computer program listing;
 - b. 16 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1A, 1B, 2, 3, 4, 5A, 5B, 6, 7, 8, 9A, 9B, 9C, 10A, 10B, and 10C); and
 - c. An original executed Declaration;
4. Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) (*in duplicate*);
 5. Recordation Form Cover Sheet;
 6. Executed Assignments to IASKWEB, Inc., recordation of which is hereby respectfully requested;
 7. Two (2) return postcards; and
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Respectfully submitted,

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Appl. No. To be assigned

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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR § 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 1964.0010001

First Inventor Boris Galitsky

Title System, Method, and Computer Program Product
Responding to Natural Language Queries

Express Mail Label No.



APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

ADDRESS TO:

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)

2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 36]

(preferred arrangement set forth below)

- Descriptive title of the Invention
- Cross Reference to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 15]

5. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 3]

a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)

b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)

i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR §§
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76.

7. ☒ Computer Program (Appendix)

8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)

a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)

b. Specification Sequence Listing on:

i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or

ii. ☐ paper

c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))

10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)

11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)

12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment

14. ☒ Two (2) Return Receipt Postcards (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)

15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)

16. ☐ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must
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17. ☒ Other: Authorization under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3)

17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

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Prior application information: Examiner _____

of prior application No: ____/
Group/Art Unit: _____

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Application Number	To be assigned
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First Named Inventor	Boris Galitsky
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- Applicant claims small entity status
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- See 37 CFR 1.27

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101	710	201	355	Utility filing fee	355.00
106	320	206	160	Design filing fee	
107	490	207	245	Plant filing fee	
108	710	208	355	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 355.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

	Extra	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims 28 - 20** = 8	X 9		= 40.00
Indep. Claims 5 - 3** = 2	X 40		= 80.00
Multiple Dependent 0			= 00.00

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim
108	80	209	40	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	130	123	130	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	481	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40.00
146	710	246	355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
149	710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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